OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP MEETING MINUTES February 10, 2016

Members Present:

District 1 John Swanson

District 3 Ed Abrahim

District 4 Patty Swanson

District 6 Maria Mendoza

District 8 Edgar Gonzalez

District 9 Jacki Farrington

District 10 Bob Mikloski

District 11 Albert Velasquez

District 12 Carlos Sanchez

District 13 Brian McGonagill

District 14 Wayne Dickey

District 15 Walt Zumstein

District 16 Bobby Hicks

Members Absent:District 2 Sam Mendoza

District 7 Robert Broomfield

Vacant Seat:

District 5

Guests Present:

A number of guests were present, see the OMNCPG secretary for a copy of the guest list.

- 1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Albert Velasquez, at the Otay Mesa Nestor Branch Library. He welcomed all Board members and members of the community to the meeting of the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Planning Group (OMNCPG).
- 2. **Approval of minutes** A Motion was made by Walt Zumstein to approve the minutes of both the November 11, 2015, and the January 13, 2016, OMNCPG meetings. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Non-Agenda Public Comments:
 - a. Roger Bevan said that he wants a land use coalition to be established to address the use of land beyond the street public right-of-way along Palm Avenue, especially the use of Pond 20.
 - b. Bobby Mordenti, Associate Planner informed the group that he will soon make a presentation to the OMNCPG about the process involved for a Community Plan update in the City of San Diego.
- 4. **SDPD Community Relations:** Officer Esmeralda Sanchez, emsanchez@pd.sandiego.gov (619) 424-0412 was in attendance, and gave the following report:
 - a. She informed the OMNCG that Officer Lacarra has now been assigned to the Otay Mesa Community Planning Group. She said that she is now the Community Relations Officer for the OMNCPG, and provided her contact information.
 - b. She announced a meeting of the SDPD with the community regarding graffiti will soon be held Tuesday, March 1, 2016, at the Otay Mesa Nestor Branch Library from 6 pm to 7 pm.
 - c. She said that Casa Familiar teamed up with San Diego Police Department for a "no questions asked" gun exchange at the Casa Familiar Civic Center, at the Southwestern College Higher Education Center in Otay Mesa, 4200 Gigantic Street, San Diego, CA on January 30, 2016 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Gift cards were offered by the SDPD in exchange for guns. She reported that about 50 weapons were turned into the SDPD during this event, including an assault rifle and a sawed-off shotgun. She said another similar event is being planned soon.
 - d. She said that "neighborhood watch" teams are being organized in the Southern Division.

- e. She said that citizens in the Southern Division are being informed to deter crime by installing lighting and alarms, including CCTV systems. She said to be sure to lock doors and windows, and do not leave tools in the yard that can be used to break into the house.
- 5. **Council District 8 Report:** District 8 Representative Ruth Martin, Council Representative, 619-236-6688 romartin@sandiego.gov:
 - a. She said the grading has begun for the construction of new homes on the former Marian Catholic High School site, and that the developer will construct model homes there in late spring, 2016.
 - b. She stated that the City Council placed a minimum wage measure on the ballot.
 - c. A flyer was circulated announcing that volunteers will install free smoke alarms in your home. Call the Burn Institute at 858-541-2277 X 18 for more information.
 - d. She provided a flyer regarding upcoming events in the District.
- 6. **Mayor's Office Report:** Andrea Cardenas, Community Representative, <u>acardenas@sandiego.gov</u> 619-533-3977. No report.
- 7. **Assembly, 80th District Report:** Martin Hernandez, Field Representative, <u>martin.hernandez@asm.ca.gov</u> 619-338-8090. No report.
- **8. Sub-Committee Reports:** No reports.
- 9. Informational Item: Nancy Graham, Senior Planner with the City of San Diego presented the Palm Avenue Revitalization Plan from funding received through the Caltrans Environmental Justice Grant Program. The plan provides a long term strategy for the Palm Avenue corridor to improve mobility and enhance economic vitality. Contact: Nancy Graham, AICP, Senior Planner, City of San Diego 619-236-6891 NHGraham@sandiego.gov
- **10. Informational Item:** Andrew Sanford, P.E., Senior Principal Engineer, presented an update on the design alternatives under consideration for the Palm Avenue Interchange Modification Project, located at the intersection of the I-805 and Palm Avenue. Contact: Andrew Sanford, P.E., Senior Principal Engineer 619.831.4550 <u>ASanford@kleinfelder.com</u>
- 11. Chair's report: No report.
- **12. City Planner's Report:** Bobby Mordenti, Associate Planner, 619-446-5064 <u>BMordenti@sandiego.gov</u> No report.
- **13. Adjournment:** 7:28 p.m.

Respectively submitted by John C. Swanson, Secretary